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GABORONE FOR ASST SECTY EASUM

CAPE TOWN FOR ASSISTANT SECTY EASUM AND EMBASSY

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SUBJECT : SUMMARY REPORT EASUM VISIT TO TANZANIA

1. SUMMARY. DURING OCTOBER 30 - NOVEMBER 2 VISIT TO TANZANIA, ASSISTANT SECRETARY EASUM HAD FORMAL TALKS WITH FRELIMO PRESIDENT SAMORA MACHEL, FIRST VP ABOUD JUMBE, VICE CHANCELLOR UNIVERSITY, MINISTERS FINANCE, COMMUNICATIONS AND WORKS, AND COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY AND MET WIDE-RANGE TANZANIANS AT REPRESENTATIONAL EVENTS HOSTED BY FOREIGN MINISTER MALECELA, AMBASSADOR AND DCM. TALKS PROVIDED OPPORTUNITY FOR EMBASSY TO REVIEW SEREREL ITEMS OUTSTANDING WITH KEY TANGOV OFFICIALS AND TO FURTHER CERTAIN U.S. INTERESTS. TANGOV TOOK LEAD IN ARRANGING APPOINTMENTS FOR EASUM AND THOUGHTOUT VISIT TANZANIAN OFFICIALS WERE CORDIAL. SIMILARLY AT PRESS CONFERENCE ON DEPARTURE QUESTIONS WERE PERTINENT, AND SOMETIMES POINTED, BUT NOT RPT NOT HARASSING.

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END SUMMARY.

2. IMMEDIATELY AFTER ARRIVAL FROM BLANTYRE AT 1725 HOURS
OCTOBER 30, ASSISTANT SECRETARY EASUM ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR
MET WITH FRELIMO PRESIDENT SAMORA MACHEL. THIS FIRST OFFICIAL
MEETING BETWEEN SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIAL AND MACHEL WAS CORDIAL,
LASTED ONE HOUR FORTY-FIVE MINUTES, AND DISCUSSION WAS WIDE-
RANGING. MEETING LAID EXCELLENT BASE FOR FURTHER TALKS WITH
FRELIMO OFFICIALS HERE AND IN LOURENCO MARQUES (DAR ES SALAAM
3597 AND 3641).

3. AT DINNER HOSTED BY FOREIGN MINISTER MALECELA LATER SAME
EVENING (OCTOBER 30, MALECELA EXPRESSED FAMILIAR TANGOV
CRITICISMS U.S. POLICY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, AS WELL AS EXTENDING
TO EASUM GENUINELY WARM WELCOME TO TANZANIA. EASUM ANSWERED
CRITICISMS IN HIS RETURN TOAST, AS WELL AS EXPRESSING PLEASURE
AT VISITING TANZANIA FOR FIRST TIME (DAR ES SALAAM 3598).

4. NEXT MORNING (OCTOBER 31), EASUM CALLED ON MINFINANCE MSUYA
WHO GAVE HIS ASSESSMENT CURRENT FOOD SITUATION IN TANZANIA,
I.E., FOOD CRITICALLY SHORT IN SEVERAL AREAS AND EVEN WITH
GOOD RAINS NEXT YEAR FARMERS MIGHT NOT PRODUCE ENOUGH FOOD TO
FEED ALL TANZANIANS. MSUYA LISTENED WITH INTEREST TO EXPLANATION
BY AMBASSADOR AND AID DIRECTOR OF STATUS TANGOV REQUEST
FOR PL480 ASSISTANCE AND HE WAS MOST APPRECIATIVE TO LEARN
OF U.S. HELP IN PURCHASE OF MAIZE SEED FROM ZAMBIA. EASUM REMINDED
MSUYA THAT AMERICAN WHOSE FARM NATIONALIZED YEAR AGO IN KILIMANJARO
REGION IS STILL AWAITING COMPENSATION. MSUYA PROMISED TO CHECK INTO
THIS AS WELL AS CERTAIN PROBLEMS CONCERNING U.S. CONSTRUCTION
COMPANY, NELLO L. TEER CO. (MEMCON POUCH)

5. AT NEXT CALL, MINCOMMERCE AND INDUSTRY JAMAL EXPRESSED
TANZANIAN CONCERN ABOUT WORLD ECONOMY. DCS HAD TO HOLD DOWN
THEIR CONSUMPTION IF LDCS WERE TO DEVELOP AT ALL, CITING AS
ILLUSTRATIVE THIS PROBLEM HEAVY CONSUMPTION FERTILIZER IN DCS
COMPARED TO LDCS. TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY AND EXPERTISE FROM DCS TO
LDCS MUST BE SPEEDED UP. JAMAL COMMENDED WORK MEMBERS OF
INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE SERVICE CORPS IN TANZANIA IN THIS REGARD
FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE (MEMCON POUCH)

6. ON FINAL CALL MORNING OCTOBER 31 IN RESPONSE EASUM
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QUESTION, MINCOMMUNICATIONS AND WORKS LUSINDE SAID TANGOV
APPRECIATIVE U.S. HELP ON TANZAM HIGHWAY AND HAD APPROACHED
WORLD BANK ABOUT MAINTENANCE LOAN TO ASSURE ROAD KEPT IN GOOD
CONDITION. TANZANIA AND ZAMBIA ARE PARTNERS IN ROAD AND UHURU
RAILWAY. THEREFORE BOTH COUNTRIES RESPONSIBLE TO SEE BOTH
PROJECTS SUCCEEDED IN ORDER TO REPAY LOANS. LUSINDE EXPRESSED
TANGOV CONCERN OVER NELLO TEER PROBLEM. SEEMS TO TANGOV THIS
IS TECHNICAL ARGUMENT BETWEEN CONTRACTOR (NELLO TEER) AND

ENGINEER (DELEUW CATHER), NOT TANGOV. IT WAS NOTED THAT SOME ITEMS UNDER ARBITRATION, HOWEVER, NELLO TEER ARE CLAIMING RESULT SOLELY TANGOV DECISIONS. IN ANY EVENT, IT WAS AGREED WE SHOULD KEEP IN TOUCH ON THIS MATTER (MEMCON POUCHED).

7. EARLY MORNING MEETING NOVEMBER 1 WITH VICE CHANCELLOR UDSM PIUS MSEKWA WAS CORDIAL, THOUGH EASUM TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO QUESTION MSEKWA'S DECISION TO FORBID SHOWING ALISTAIR COOKE'S SERIES "AMERICA" AT UDSM. MSKEWA ADMITTED HE GAVE IN TO PRESSURE FROM TYL BRANCH LEADERS AT UDSM TO STOP SCHEDULED SHOWING OF SERIES. DISCUSSION THEN TURNED AS TO HOW TO DEAL WITH MINORITY PRESSURES FROM STUDENTS AT UNIVERSITIES, WHETHER IN TANZANIA OR U.S., AND IMPORTANCE TO INTEGRITY OF UNIVERSITY OF KEEPING UNIVERSITY OPEN TO RESPONSIBLE OPINIONS OF ALL SHADES. (MEMCON POCHE D)

8. AFTERNOON NOVEMBER 1 EASUM FLEW TO PEMBE ACCOMPANIED BY CONSUL ZANZIBAR AND DCM TO MEET WITH FIRST VP ABDOU JUMBE. IN REVIEWING ZANZIBAR'S DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS AND PLANS, JUMBE SAID IMPROVEMENT IN AGRICULTURE AND FISHING BEING STRESSED WITH AIM BECOMING SELF-SUFFICIENT IN FOODS. EASUM CONCRRED WISDOM THIS EMPHASIS, NOTING SECRETARY KISSINGER SCHEDULED ADDRESS WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE IN ROME. IN RESPONSE EASUM QUESTION, JUMBE SAID ZANZIBAR QUITE AUTONOMOUS WITHIN UNION AND EXPLAINED HISTORY, ORGANIZATION OF UNION. JUMBE WAS IN FACT IN THIS MEETING PLAYING ROLE MOR OF LEADER OF ZANZIBAR THAN FIRST VP OF TANZANIA. (MEMCON POUCHED)

9. JUST PRIOR DEPARTURE AT NOON NOVEMBER 2, MR. EASUM MET WITH THE PRESS IN THE AIRPORT VIP LOUNGE. REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALL MEDIA AND WIRE SERVICES IN DAR ES SALAAM, LARGEST TURNOUT IN MEMORY FOR A FOREIGN DIPLOMAT, ASKED QUESTIONS FOR THIRTY MINUTES. MOST DEALT WITH U.S. POLICIES IN SOUTHERN CONFIDENTIAL

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AFRICA AND THE U.S. SECURITY COUNCIL VETO, WHILE OTHER QUESTIONS CONCERNED USAID ACTIVITIES IN TANZANIA, U.S. FOOD-GRAIN SHIPMENTS TO TANZANIA, EASUM'S MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT NYERERE AND WITH LIBERATION MOVEMENT LEADERS LOCATED IN DAR ES SALAAM. (USIS DAR ES SALAAM USINFO 0003D OF NOVEMBER 2, R 020815Z NOV 74). CARTER

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